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Having no personal risk in this case I do have some considerable interest. I have been using computers for years. When the PC started to become popular the biggest complaint was cost limited software availability and compatibility. When Windows was introduced the average user embraced it because it opened away to eliminate many of the above concerns. I recently purchased my 3rd Pentium Series Machine. The first was a 100Mhz Pentium with all of the major available bells and whistles. Six years ago that machine cost over \$3 000. This November I bought a 1.9Ghz Pentium 4 with bells and whistles that would reduce my original Pentium to nothing more than a bad door stop. The cost was in the low \$2000 range. 19+ times the computing power 6 times the memory 80 sized the hard drive capacity 16 times more video storage and the list goes on and a state of the art Microsoft Operating System XP. The point of the story is that as a consumer I have not been hurt at all quite the contrary. I have a choice of software that staggers the imagination and all of it is cheaper faster and better than what was available even 6 years ago. I have no doubt that Microsoft took advantage of its position of prominence and power. Does everyone at some time. Usually! Let s check out the White House for some recent examples. To me the settlement on the table should be approved and we should all move on to more interesting innovations and concerns. Justice will be and has been served. It is time to get out of the media s glare and just move on!